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In re PATENT application of:

Shunpei YAMAZAKI

Application No.: 09/327,469

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE
AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

) Art Unit: 2814

) Examiner: G. PERALTA

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 8, 2001

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed November 7, 2000, the period for responding having been extended one (1) month, please consider the following remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

The Examiner's Office Action dated November 7, 2000 has been received and its contents carefully noted. Claims 1-13 and 20-23 are pending in the present application.

Referring now to the Office Action, claims 1-13 and 20-23 are allegedly directed to patentably distinct species, which are listed as follows:

- A) A method wherein a catalyst is introduced in its elemental form;